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A. Thorne's Blend, White Capsule.....	8	0.75
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A. John Jameson's Old, Green Capsule.....	8	0.75
B. John Jameson's Fine Old, Green Capsule.....	10	1.00
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A. Fine Old Tom, White Capsule.....	4.50	0.40
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A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
Established A.D. 1842.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1892.

BIRTH.
At Shanghai, on the 8th March, the wife of E. O. LINDSTROM, of a son.

DEATHS.
At his residence, 18 Klinking Road, Shanghai, on the 8th March, ISAAC EZRA, aged 47 years.
At 45, Broadway, Shanghai, on the 8th March, 1892, MURIEL ANN, the infant daughter of Alfred and Esther Ann Getley, aged 6 months.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG MONDAY, MARCH 14, 1892.

EDUCATION IN HONGKONG.

THE education of the rising generation in Hongkong is under the control of a department nominally presided over by Dr. E. J. EITEL, a German ex-missionary, and comprising, in addition to the English staff, thirty-three Chinese teachers. Under this Board there are two large Government schools, where English and Chinese education is administered in alternate doses by a large staff, the majority being Chinese. There are also several schools connected with religious institutions—St. Joseph's College, which is not English but Portuguese; St. Paul's College, Bishop Burdon's own pet failure, which is now defunct, or at least in a state of coma; Victoria English School, a really good and well named school that is doing admirable work; the Diocesan Home and Orphanage, half English and half Chinese instruction; the Baxter Girls' School, a small semi-private seminary; and the Wesleyan School, entirely Chinese. At all of these institutions, except the Government English School, a hybrid, Soleist kind of "English" is taught, and in such a perfunctory manner that almost as soon as the pupils leave school they revert entirely to their native Chinese or the Macao dialect of their language of daily use, and when required to attempt English they can only speak with difficulty ridiculous and uncouth jargon. Even the few English children who attend most of the schools in this colony grow up lamentably ignorant of their own language and literature; in speech, and more seriously in manner, an English pupil of a Hongkong school unpleasantly resembles a half-caste. This fact is not so apparent to residents in the colony as to strangers, who have often been known to express considerable surprise that the education and training should be so un-English. In its results it is not in its professed intentions. At the last prize distribution in St. Andrew's Hall, one could not help being almost painfully struck by the unnatural pronunciation, the stiff, unfamiliar utterance, and the perfectly mechanical and unsympathetic use of the English tongue, which even the best pupils of the best English school in the colony were unable to overcome. There is not, it may safely be said, one instance in the whole history of Hongkong, of a Colonial child, with an exclusively Colonial education, who if placed among a hundred ordinary English children could not be instantly identified by speech alone—or rather by mutilation of speech.

This exceedingly unsatisfactory result of our fifty years' efforts is easily explained, and perhaps can be abundantly excused. For, in the first place, it is unreasonable to expect that where the nationalities are represented in the proportion of a hundred to one, the language and the mental habit of the minority could remain unadulterated through generations. Six purely English children, going to school every day among six hundred others, mostly Chinese, cannot be expected to retain the national tongue or characteristics in their absolute integrity. They cannot help learning some Chinese; even if it were banished from the curriculum they would pick it up in play hours by associating with Chinese children; and thus they cannot help acquiring English with a Chinese accent. They do more—and this is where a very straight and stiff line should be drawn—they learn Chinese in the school, and such is the preponderance of Chinese in their whole education that they prefer and find it more natural and easy to speak Chinese among themselves. How often does it happen that an English or a Portuguese mother, who understands something of Chinese, speaks in English or in Macaoese to her child, and is answered in Chinese—the speech that comes most readily to the tongue? We refer to speaking, as that is the most noticeable instance; but more serious is the hybrid, half English education of the mind, the unsatisfactory, nondescript nature of the way of thinking into which the child grows. This is not an English colony, it is polyglot, and the Chinese preponderance in youthful education is just as great as it was fifty years ago.

It is urged that unless the Chinese language is taught in the Government schools, Chinese parents will not send their children to them. Yet in the Straits, where the Chinese might claim that there is more necessity to keep their language in the schools on account of the greater chances of its being lost outside, there are hundreds—nay, thousands, more probably—of Chinese children who attend purely English schools in preference to Chinese, and who grow up without ever learning a word of Chinese. In Trinidad, as we have learnt from a gentleman recently imported from that place, the natives are mostly French and Spanish, but have to learn English in preference; yet both French and Spanish are much easier than English, and might naturally be expected to supplant it, whereas Chinese is infinitely more difficult, and should as a mere matter of natural selection give way

to English. Of course, there is this difference—that Trinidad is a British colony; while Hongkong—? The effect of this English training on their national character has lately been sternly demonstrated in the matter of their drunken and dissolute jargon; for the people actually had sufficient Saxon courage and independence to boldly say what they thought. In British Honduras, too, (note—a strong accent on the "British") the people had within the past few months a serious grievance imposed upon them in the voting of a large sum of money against the wishes of the ratepayers, by order of the autocrats of Downing Street. What did the people of British Honduras do? Did they grumble, and wrangle with each other, and cower abjectly while the Governor lectured them as if they were naughty children? Well, hardly. They had had a purely English education, not in the matter of language only, for that is really the smallest part of education; but in spirit, in manners and customs as far as could be—in ideas they were as Anglo-Saxon as HAMFORD himself. They said what they thought, and they got what they wanted. Here, in Hongkong, 90 per cent. of our population are Chinese, 9 per cent. Macaoese, and the remaining one per cent. is divided among Indians, Persians, Armenians, and Germans, with a minute microscopic fragment of an alleged English community which is lost in the crowd. Our educational system is truly well adapted for such a Colony—half of our children are taught Chinese, in French, Italian, Spanish, or Portuguese convents, under a German Minister of Education!

TELEGRAMS.

BELFAST ELECTION.
LONDON, March 11th.
Sir H. Drummond Wolff (Conservative candidate) has been returned for Belfast.

PRINCE GEORGE.
The Prince and Princess of Wales have left for Mentone with the special object of enabling Prince George to recruit.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE managers of Woodyear's Circus are arranging for a grand assault-arms, to be held this week. All the athletes of the Colony are invited to compete in tests of wrestling, fencing, and other sports. The entrance fees will be small, and good prizes are offered. Full details will be announced to-morrow.

A TELEGRAM is published in several Tokyo papers stating that the ship *Willie Reid* from New York for Hyogo has foundered near Kobe.

THE returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended March 13th are:—Europeans, 159; Chinese, 1,572; total 1,731.

THE Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s Royal Mail steamer *Empress of China* left Vancouver on the afternoon of the 11th inst., and is due at Yokohama on the 25th.

It is reported that Mr. Ed. Robinson, barrister-at-law, will succeed Mr. A. G. W. at the Magistracy. Mr. Wise intends to leave the colony on a two years' holiday early next month.

A REGULAR meeting of the Ethen Mark Lodge No. 464, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, this evening, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

THE *Government Gazette* of Saturday last informs us that George Thomas Michael O'Brien, Esquire, C.M.G., has been duly sworn in as Colonial Secretary of Hongkong. So mote it be!

It may possibly interest somebody to know that Mr. Richard F. Drury, assistant engineer in the Public Works Department, returned to the colony and resumed his duties of his office on the 5th inst.

At the Magistracy to-day before Mr. Wise, Fong was sentenced to three months for having contraband opium in his possession to the weight of 37 taels on March 13th.

THE *Glunfallach*, which arrived at Kobe on Saturday the 6th inst., reported passing a deeply laden ship at 6 a.m. on the 4th instant off Murato Saki. It is probably the *Willie Reid*, bound to Kobe from Philadelphia.

We note that Mr. B. C. Howard, who has been acting as agent at Yokohama for the Pacific Mail and Occidental and Oriental Steamship Companies since the death of Mr. C. D. Harman, has been confirmed in the appointment.

MR. CORCORAN, the inspector in charge of the Water Police, will leave for home to-morrow, leaving a vacancy. Inspector Mackie, at present at West Point, will assume charge of the Water Police, Mr. Mann, from the Central, succeeding "Sandy" at West Point.

MR. H. E. WOODHOUSE, police magistrate and superintendent of the Fire Brigade, is officially announced to have resumed the duties of these offices—the Editor of the *Government Gazette* is evidently not a top-sawyer in English grammar—on the 11th inst.

A COOLIE was sent to goal for three months by Mr. Woodhouse to-day for snatching a cap from the head of a child in Wellington Street yesterday. The coolie had only been a few days out of goal, having committed a similar offence Jan. 2nd for which he got a month. Try, try again.

A CORRESPONDENT asks us to note, as an item of extraordinary local interest, that the Pacific Mail Co.'s steamer *China*, which was scheduled to leave San Francisco for Yokohama direct, was at the last moment, at the unanimous request of the numerous noblemen and gentlemen passengers, diverted from her course and ordered to proceed to Honolulu. Notwithstanding this she turned up in the harbor bright and early yesterday morning, about thirty-six hours ahead of schedule time. A small matter of a few hundred miles or so don't seem to bother the *China*; a few extra buckets of coal and there you are! This ship was built in Glasgow in the year of eighty nine—and don't you forget it.

AMONG the passengers on the *Empress of China* to China was Mr. Fred. W. Jagger, war and special correspondent to China, who is the inventor of the "F. W. J." magazine fire-arms.

AN Emergency meeting of Zealand Lodge, No. 525, E.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, on Monday, the 21st instant, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

We regret to learn that a telegram was received this morning from Shanghai announcing the death of Mr. R. E. Wainwright, an old Shanghai resident and one of the ablest and most successful lawyers in the Far East.

REPORTS current in the colony regarding the position of a number of well-known residents in relation to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and certain gigantic share transactions are so conflicting that we "hold off" for fuller and more reliable details.

In the Police Court to-day before Mr. Woodhouse a sailor who has been in the *Salliers' Home* over five weeks and two others a fortnight each were fined \$2 for being drunk and creating a serious disturbance in that establishment yesterday. In default they all went to a happier land for seven days.

A LEADING citizen of this colony, who is well-known in many public capacities, and who has especially distinguished himself as a philanthropist of the pre-Admission school, has been very much off colour lately—report says he has been suffering feebly from indigestion. We are not surprised. A pillow stuffed with unsecured overdrafts is scarcely conducive to peaceful slumbers.

ON Saturday a Chinese woman and her little daughter went to market, with baskets of goods over their shoulders, and by accident one of the girl's baskets got in the way of a Celestial Sullivan. He at once hit the girl on the nose, and then proceeded to wipe out the mother, who was beginning to make remarks. He was arrested, and this morning the magistrate put him away for three weeks' hard.

THE *Perseverance* having been thoroughly refitted by Messrs. G. F. Peck & Co. resumed running the Hongkong-Macao route a couple of days ago. While the *Wing Yuen* was put on the route and seems to have done so well that her owners still keep her running. But just why the Chinese Customs people should make the little vessel stop at Chung-chow and Malacca-chow we fail to comprehend, unless it be that they are "spoiling" for a row.

THE Rev. Mr. Multhead writes on the 8th inst. to our Special Correspondent re "the Hongkong Publications." "I have news from Hankow stating that it is reported by two respectable men from the capital of Hunan that T'ang Mou-hua and others, the publishers of the vile papers, have been apprehended, that the blocks are all destroyed, that no one dares post up the placards in any part of the city, and that Ch'u Han himself would have been seized had he not been taken (7th). It is to be hoped that all this is the case, and that so far our 'unlucky voice' has been heard, and the 'evil' has been suppressed."

THE Japanese and their Parliament are taken to task by the *Spektrator*, thus:—The Japanese find their Parliament rather unmanageable. Being the most imitative of races, they have adopted representative institutions, and the power of making laws and controlling the Executive has been entrusted to a House of Commons. It appears that the Members belook themselves at once to agitation, obstructed all business systematically, refused to vote supplies for the ordinary business of the State, and declined altogether to allow the proposed expenditure for the relief of the sufferers in the provinces ruined by the earthquake. The Mikado has accordingly sent them home, and though a new Parliament will probably be summoned, it will be under materially modified electoral conditions, the Government either intervening as it has not done yet, or decreeing a modification of the suffrage. Meanwhile the expenditure for the distressed districts has been sanctioned by Imperial decree. The Japanese differ widely from all other Asiatics, but it is in their greater resemblance to clever children, and clever children do not make the most efficient electors. They naturally have noise, and desire above all things, more cake.

BEFORE MR. WOODHOUSE to-day Li-chu-leong, late opium dress-maker at Yau-mai, prosecuted his son, Lai Wing, on a charge of embezzling \$80 between August 31st, 1891, and February 27th, 1892. The father stated that prisoner was employed to collect all money from the opium shops, and his pay was one-fourth of all surplus profits after the father had received a stipulated sum—\$20 a month. When the books were made up on February 27th, at the end of the term of the farm contract, it was found that the year showed a loss of \$250. The accounts had not been made up during the year until now. The agreement was that if there were no profits, prisoner got no pay, but did not have to make up any loss. He did not contribute any capital, and his father was the owner of the business. The father admitted having received the amount, and offered to pay at \$3 a month, which the prosecutor refused. After the hearing of plaintiff's evidence, defendant stated that under the contract, if any opium shop ceased to do business he was to carry it on himself for the father, paying the regular fee and receiving the fourth of the profits, if any was made. He thus carried on one shop in Tai-kok-tai, but had not paid the monthly fee. The case was remanded until to-morrow, bail \$100.

THE *Box of Curious* has taken a musical writer and composer on its staff. The following touching ballad may be sung by a quartette with chorus. The tune is, somehow, very familiar, but we cannot reproduce it, having no music types:

CLOSE THE SHUTTERS, WILLIE'S DRUNK.
Whisper softly, hear them weeping,
Listen to the sad refrain;
Little Willie now is sleeping
And at last is free from pain.
Home he brought his birthday with him,
His tank was full of Highland cream
The floor arose and wrestled with him
For things aren't always what they seem.
He broke his nose, his head he basted,
As he struck the wardrobe door;
Mad dogs and monkeys he mistrusted
And the snakes upon the floor.
When he wakes on the morrow,
Willie's head will be so sore;
Remorse will mingle with his sorrow,
And he'll swear off just once more.
[CHORUS]
"Only once more, love,
"Only once more!"

Thus the *N. C. Daily News*, referring to the recently appointed British Minister to China—Mr. O'Connor was only in charge of the Legation for a short time previously, but it was long enough to make all who had any business with "Peking" regret his departure very sincerely and there is equally sincere gratification at his return. He is young, clear-headed, energetic, with a sufficient comprehension of Chinese official nature, and a disposition to get business done. When he was at Peking he would not merely answer official despatches, but he would take the trouble to write private notes even to people with whom he had no personal acquaintance, telling them how their business was going on. Such a man is "the man for China" he will not allow himself to be lulled to sleep by the narcotic influences that hang so heavily over Legation Street, Peking, but he looks to him to infuse an unwelcome energy into Sir John Walham's colleagues, if such a feat is possible. After all, the people he has been dealing with at Peking are more than half Chinese.

Obviously, so that the experience he gained before at Peking will have been added to, not impaired by the half-dozen years' interval that has since elapsed.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Nizam* left Singapore for this port on the 12th inst., at 3 p.m.

On the morning of the 7th inst. the ice was five inches thick at Taku; a north-west gale was blowing and the Peiho was full of drift ice.

MR. WOODHOUSE this morning ordered a Chinese soldier, for snatching earrings from a woman in the theatre at Ap-ll-chau, to be imprisoned for six months and treated to twelve drops of raitan, administered externally.

FROM the commencement of the present outbreak of small-pox at Yokohama up to the 22nd ult. 1,001 persons were attacked, in Yokohama of whom 310 died. There were 62 fresh cases, 41 recoveries, and 13 deaths from the malady in the capital on the 5th instant.

THE Korean Government offered to purchase the steamship *Dachai Taiho-maru* of the Taiho Kisen Kaisha, and the steamer ran between various ports in Korea for some time subsequent to October last, but the Korean Government being unable to pay for her, the *Dachai* returned to Osaka lately, and is now running between Osaka and Okawa. Poor Chachai! Why don't you stir up your Yankee-fodder to do something for you? A subscription ball or a big "tea-fight" would do for a start.

JAPANESE press censors are warring with their Philippine and Russian confreres in the persecution of newspaper proprietors and editors in a manner which should satisfy the most despotic of monarchs as well as bigoted Conservatives. During the last thirty days, from the beginning of the year up to the 4th inst., there have been forty of the vernacular papers suspended in the Land of the Rising Sun, thirty-eight for having proved detrimental to the peace of the country, and two for publishing matter offensive to morality. Among those suspended are the principal leading papers of the various districts, no place having escaped the prying and spying of the censors.

THE Shanghai *Mercury* of the 6th inst. says:—We regret to have to record the decease of one of the most respected members of the Jewish community, Mr. Isaac Ezra, which took place last night, from Bright's disease. Mr. Ezra has been in Shanghai for 20 years as an opium merchant, during which long period he has a high reputation for integrity, and was equally esteemed for many acts of generosity and kindness. He leaves a widow and a large family, to whom we tender, in common, our sincere sympathy, with all who have had any relation upon them, decreased a citizen, our deepest sympathies. The interment took place this afternoon at the Hebrew Cemetery, Bubbling Well Road, and was largely attended.

REFERRING to the visit of the U.S.S. *Petrel* to Bangkok, the *Star* Press of March 2nd says:—During the short stay of the U.S.S. *Petrel*, Bangkok has been more or less the scene of a series of mild disturbances. Colonel Boyd, the U.S. Minister-Resident, set the ball rolling by a dinner on the 2nd instant, and from that time dancing, dining, balls and receptions have followed each other in a rapid and bewildering succession that threatened destruction to many of the residents, and disaster to the officers of the *Petrel*. Lieutenant-Commander Mackenzie and his general officers have contrived to make themselves very popular during their short stay in Bangkok, and it has been with the greatest difficulty that they have been able to meet the heavy invitations which poured upon them from all sides. Being Americans they were to the occasion, and the way in which they contrived to distribute themselves here and there through Bangkok is best expressed in their own figurative and romantic language. "It tickled creation."

In our issue of the 4th inst. a paragraph appeared which stated, in effect, that the German Consul at Amoy had endeavored to prevent the mate of the *Banjo* from joining the Chinese steamer *Farfah* as second officer, and had retained the sum of \$50, balance of the mate's wages; further, that the matters in dispute had been referred to Berlin. From two independent sources we have received assurances, on which we can rely that these statements are absolutely inaccurate and do Mr. Feindel, Consul for Germany at Amoy and one of the ablest and most straightforward members of the consular body in the Far East, a grievous injustice. We are informed that no objection whatever was raised to the mate of the *Banjo* alighting aboard the Chinese steamer, that his wages were paid in due course, and that as a matter of fact he did join the *Farfah* and is now on board of her in Formosa. Under these circumstances we have to regret exceedingly that such mis-statements should have appeared in our columns, and can only say that they were supplied to a member of our staff in apparent good faith, and so it was alleged, at the special request of the late mate of the *Banjo*.

THE latest Yokohama bust-up is thus referred to in the *Yokohama Mail*:—We know not how much reliance may be placed in the statements of the vernacular press about the failure of Messrs. E. B. Watson and Company, but so many persons are interested in the event that it will not be amiss to reproduce briefly the gist of a paragraph in the *Shoggo Sampo*, a journal generally well informed. The *Shoggo* says that the unfavorable state of the foreign exchange market last year, supplemented by a speculative speculation in other directions, resulted in a loss of \$1 million for the firm, the principal creditors being the Mitsui Bank (100,000), the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, and the Chartered Bank. The assets are put by the same authority at half a million yen, and it is further asserted that many friends are endeavoring to keep the company afloat, the creditors generally, with the exception of the foreign banks, being in favor of that solution. The banks, however, are not disposed to be lenient, inasmuch as Mr. Watson had been actively organizing, and had received the appointment of local agent for a rival banking enterprise.

Thus the *N. C. Daily News*, referring to the recently appointed British Minister to China—Mr. O'Connor was only in charge of the Legation for a short time previously, but it was long enough to make all who had any business with "Peking" regret his departure very sincerely and there is equally sincere gratification at his return. He is young, clear-headed, energetic, with a sufficient comprehension of Chinese official nature, and a disposition to get business done. When he was at Peking he would not merely answer official despatches, but he would take the trouble to write private notes even to people with whom he had no personal acquaintance, telling them how their business was going on. Such a man is "the man for China" he will not allow himself to be lulled to sleep by the narcotic influences that hang so heavily over Legation Street, Peking, but he looks to him to infuse an unwelcome energy into Sir John Walham's colleagues, if such a feat is possible. After all, the people he has been dealing with at Peking are more than half Chinese.

It is stated that among the birthday presents sent by the Empress-Dowager to Viceroy Li Hung-chang, was a robe made of the throat skins of tigers. Such a robe can only be worn by special permission from the throne, and it is the most valuable of all furs.

We thought not. Assistant Harbour-master Hastings, R.N., will not be Mr. A. K. Travers' *locum tenens* at the Post Office. It is quite refreshing to find Governor Sir William Robinson expressing his frank opinion about what would have been a barefaced job. Who told the *China Mail* number that Mr. Hastings was to act for Mr. Travers? Probably he imagined it. "Be white" really ought not to be at large in these ticklish times.

The *Strait Times* says, apparently without any idea of being funny, that the death of leading citizen of Hongkong "a vacancy has occurred in the membership of the Municipality there. The *Daily Press* names as desirable candidates: Mr. Mackintosh, resident partner of the firm of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, Mr. A. G. Wood of Messrs. Gibb, Livingston and Co. Mr. J. J. Francis Q.C. and Mr. N. J. Ede, secretary to a public company. What's the matter with our Goat?

SHAMKIN HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

An adjourned extraordinary meeting of this Company was held to-day. Mr. R. Fraser-Smith presided and there were also present Mr. A. E. Skeels, (director) Messrs. J. J. Francis, Harris, Oaly, Schweske, and R. C. Hurley (secretary).

The Chairman said that the most important business before the meeting was the election of a new board of directors; but unfortunately no shareholder was qualified for election, so that Mr. Skeels and himself would have to continue in office until the ordinary general meeting next July. Both were anxious to escape that responsibility, as they contemplated leaving the Colony at an early date. However, there was no alternative but to continue.

Mr. Francis asked why the directors had not recommended somebody for election, as under the articles they could have done.

The Chairman said they knew of nobody who could be elected. They would have been only too glad, but they had nobody to recommend as qualified and willing. Then, with reference to the dividend, that was a matter for discussion if they chose to make it any, but the directors strongly advised that the declaration of dividend be left to a future date. Very little of money was available at present, though no doubt a small dividend could be paid. It would strengthen the position of the Company to let that stand over, but of course that was for the shareholders to decide. There were five other subjects—Holmes & Roddy's account, the Hongkong Trusting Co.'s account, the late Mr. Pim's account, the question of forfeited shares, and the leasehold property in Canton. The directors, after mature consideration, did not propose to enter into discussion of these questions, unless the shareholders wished for detailed information. All the parties (except, of course, Mr. Pim) had agreed that the matters could be arbitrated in a friendly way, and there was no doubt whatever that they would all be settled satisfactorily to the Company. Practically both Holmes & Roddy and the Hongkong Trusting Co. had left the matters in the hands of the Board. One other matter was before the meeting—to elect an auditor; but before proceeding to that, if there was any question about the affairs of the Company, or the working or management, he would glad to answer it. He would, however, deprecate any discussion or controversy that was likely to lead to disputes. The meeting was a business meeting, and it was everybody's interest that it be carried on amicably, smoothly, and honestly.

Mr. Francis asked that any communication from Holmes and Roddy or the Trading Company bearing on the Chairman's statement be read to the meeting.

The Chairman said he would read one letter, which he himself had not read but that it referred to himself personally, and to the question of his status as director, which Mr. Francis had often raised somewhat offensively. According to this letter Mr. Roddy said he would leave the matter of St. Ning Kuk entirely to Mr. Fraser-Smith, to deal with as between man and man, and he had every confidence in so doing. Further, there was a letter from the Trading Company about the outstanding balance of \$400 in dispute. The manager *pro tem.* wrote that he was quite willing to represent disputes, to accept some \$700 to complete the account.

Mr. Francis said that what Mr. Roddy had said about St. Ning Kuk would not affect the Holmes and Roddy account.

The Chairman explained at some length that the Holmes and Roddy dispute was identical with the St. Ning Kuk matter, and nothing else was in dispute between them. Holmes and Roddy did not dispute the claim on them for \$1,500, calls on shares; they held the money against their claim of \$600 in the St. Ning Kuk matter, which they had no

W. DORRICH,

To-day's Advertisements.

ROTHEN MARK LODGE OF HONGKONG, No. 24.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above named Lodge will be held in FREEMASON'S HALL, Zealand Street, THIS EVENING, the 14th instant, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited. Hongkong, 14th March, 1892. [293]

WOODYEAR'S AUSTRALIAN CIRCUS BOWRINGTON.



TO-NIGHT. COMPLIMENTARY BENEFIT tendered to

WALTER HARLAND.

("GOOD DAY, BOSS.")

On which occasion the Choicest Acts will be put before the Audience.

MADAME WOODYEAR, Proprietors. W. HARLAND, Agents. Hongkong, 14th March, 1892. [308]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship "HIROSHIMA MARU," Captain J. H. Pene, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 19th March, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GEO. F. STEVENS & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 14th March, 1892. [317]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship "LIGHTNING" are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after the 16th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Company, Limited, Wanchai.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 14th March, 1892. [316]

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship "CHINA" are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after the 16th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Company, Limited, Wanchai.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent. Hongkong, 14th March, 1892. [32]

NOTICE.

PUNJOM & SUNGHEE DUA SAMANTAN MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to attend a PRIVATE MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS at the Company's Office, Connaught House Room, 24, TOMORROW (TUESDAY), the 15th inst., at 4.30 p.m., to consider the future working of the Company. A. O'D. GOURDIN, Secretary. Hongkong, 14th March, 1892. [319]

ZETLAND LODGE, No. 525.

AN EMERGENCY MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in FREEMASON'S HALL, Zealand Street, on MONDAY, the 21st March, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited. Hongkong, 14th March, 1892. [320]

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